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## SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE COUNCIL ON HAWAIIAN HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATIONS  
TO SUPPORT CANDIDATES SEEKING ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF  
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS WHOSE PERMANENT RESIDENCE IS ON HAWAIIAN  
HOME LANDS.

1           WHEREAS, the trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs are  
2 elected by the people of the State of Hawaii; and

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4           WHEREAS the kuleana (responsibility) of the trustees is to  
5 improve the quality of life of all Hawaiians; and

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7           WHEREAS, that kuleana includes service to a constituency  
8 whose population meets the criteria established by the  
9 Constitution of the State of Hawaii; and

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11           WHEREAS, that constituent population includes residents of  
12 Hawaiian Home Lands communities--native Hawaiians whose  
13 aboriginal blood constitutes fifty per cent or more; and

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15           WHEREAS, trustees elected to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs  
16 must be cognizant of and voice the issues, concerns, and  
17 solutions that impact their native Hawaiian constituency; and

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19           WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of this native  
20 Hawaiian constituency to support candidates who reside in  
21 Hawaiian homestead communities and seek election to the Office  
22 of Hawaiian Affairs; and

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24           WHEREAS, Hawaiian Home Lands communities are presently  
25 located on all the major Hawaiian islands; and

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27           WHEREAS, the State Council on Hawaiian Homestead  
28 Associations, as defined by its bylaws, represents and advocates  
29 for the benefit of native Hawaiians living in Hawaiian homestead  
30 communities located throughout the State; now, therefore,



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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third  
3 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006, the  
4 State Council on Hawaiian Homestead Associations is requested to  
5 support candidates for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs who have  
6 received the endorsement of the Hawaiian Homestead Association  
7 in the homestead community in which the candidate resides; and

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
10 Resolution be transmitted to the State Council on Hawaiian  
11 Homestead Associations who in turn is requested to transmit it  
12 to all of its member associations; the Chairperson of the  
13 Hawaiian Homes Commission; and the Chairperson of the Board of  
14 Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

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